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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 1662

DA FOR SURGEON GENERAL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SEATO, MILI, TH

SUBJECT: SEATO REQUEST FOR MEDICAL CIVIC ACTION TEAMS

1. TODAY, RTG THROUGH SEATO HAS REQUESTED MEMBER NATIONS OF SEATO TO CONSIDER RETENTION OF THEIR MILITARY MEDICAL CIVIC ACTION TEAMS PRESENTLY IN THAILAND ON PX-52 FOR A FURTHER PERIOD OF ABOUT FIVE WEEKS AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF PX-52 TO DEPLOY AND OPERATE IN THE FLOODED DISASTER PROVINCES OF SOUTHERN THAILAND. THE COST TO THE USG MAY BE GENERALLY ITEMIZED AS FOLLOWS:

(A) TDY FOR TEAM MEMBERS AND INDIVIDUALS DETAILED TO HEADQUARTERS PX-52 STAFF.

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(B) \$1,000 PER MEMBER NATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES FOR HEADQUARTERS STAFF.

(C) POSSIBLY C-130 SUPPORT FOR DEPLOYMENT AND  
RECOVER OF ALL TEAMS (ESTIMATED TOTAL OF 6 SORTIES).

(D) EACH NATION TO FURNISH MEDICAL AND VETERINARIAN  
SUPPLIES FOR THEIR OWN TEAM (ESTIMATED \$13,000 PER MEMBER  
NATION.)

2. I FULLY SUPPORT THIS REQUEST AND RECOMMEND THAT WE  
PARTICIPATE IN THIS HUMANITARIAN EFFORT AND RENDER  
ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE OF REGION WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM  
LOSS OF LIFE, HARDSHIP AND DISEASE. WHILE THIS RELIEF  
ASSISTANCE WILL BE IN ADDITION TO THAT WHICH WE HAVE ALREADY  
MADE, I AM CONVINCED THAT SEATO AND THE USG WILL ACCRUE  
BENEFITS MANIFOLD. WE HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED PRAISE FOR  
OUR EARLIER FLOOD RELIEF EFFORTS FROM NO LESS THAN M.R.  
SENI PRAMOJ, LEADER OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, IN HIS POST-  
ELECTION SPEECHES.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE WASHINGTON'S REPLY BY OPENING BUSINESS  
30 JANUARY BANGKOK TIME SINCE MATTER WILL BE RAISED AT  
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES MEETING THAT MORNING.  
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